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1. IN FURTHER DISCUSSION FEB. 5 WITH OUR WEST GERMAN EMBASSY CONTACT, HE SPECULATED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER'S TAKEOVER IN TAMIL NADU WOULD NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE CURRENT WEST GERMAN AID PROGRAM TO INDIA. HE DID ALLOW THE MOVE MIGHT BE EMBARRASSING TO THE BAHR DOCTRINE, BUT ADDED THAT WEST GERMAN PUBLIC OPINION, ALTHOUGH WRONGFULLY IN HIS VIEW, IS BECOMING LESS AND LESS CONCERNED WITH THE INDIRA DICTATORSHIP.

2. OUR CONTACT REVIEWED WITH US THE EMBASSY'S RECORD OF THE BAHR-GANDHI MEETING, JAN. 24 WHICH WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO HIM
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WHEN WE FILED OUR FIRST TELEGRAM, NEW DELHI 1436 (NOTAL). THE

RECORD CLOSELY PARALLELS WHAT WE HAVE REPORTED THE PRIME MINISTER HAS TOLD OTHER VIP VISITORS LATELY. SHE JUSTIFIED THE EMERGENCY AT LENGTH, COMPLAINED ABOUT WESTERN PRESS TREATMENT OF EVENTS IN INDIA, AND ONCE AGAIN SAID THAT INDIA HAD NO INTENTION OF LAUNCHING A NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM. BAHR TOLD MRS. GANDHI THAT CRITICISM OF INDIA IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC BEGAN FOLLOWING THE DETONATION OF INDIA'S NUCLEAR DEVICE, AND WAS REVIVED IN THE WAKE OF THE EMERGENCY. HE TOLD BOTH THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER THAT HE LOOKED FORWARD TO THE RESTORATION OF FULL DEMOCRACY IN INDIA. ACCORDING TO THE EMBASSY RECORD NEITHER REPLIED DIRECTLY TO BAHR'S COMMENT, ALTHOUGHT MRS. GAHNDI'S REFERENCE TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS WAS A PARTIAL ANSWER.

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